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SUBJECT: OPERATION TRIZO

WEEKLY REPORT NO. 20 (4-2 THRU 4-8-76)

1. SUMMARY: A TOTAL OF 1,191 OPIUM FIELDS WERE DESTROYED DURING THIS REPORTING WEEK, OF WHICH 1,155 WERE DESTROYED BY HERBICIDE.

AS OF THE END OF THIS REPORTING WEEK, A TOTAL OF 19,176 OPIUM FIELDS HAVE BEEN DESTROYED. THIS REPRESENTS APPROXIMATELY 5 TONS, 73 KILOGRAMS OF PURE HEROIN REMOVED FROM THE MARKET SINCE THE BEGINNING OF THE CAMPAIGN. END SUMMARY.

2. ERADICATION

(A) STATISTICAL SUMMARY

ZONE I - STATES OF SONORA, SINALOA, DURANGO AND CHIHUAHUA.

OPIUM FIELDS DESTROYED BY HERBICIDES

OPIUM FIELDS DESTROYED - 1,155

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SQ METERS DESTROYED - 2,030,268

PLANTS DESTROYED - 40,960,552

HECTARES - 203.03

OPIUM FIELDS DESTROYED MANUALLY

FIELDS DESTROYED - 28

SQ METERS DESTROYED - 41,670

PLANTS DESTROYED - 1,091,820

HECTARES - 4.2

MARIHUANA FIELDS DESTROYED BY HERBICIDES

FIELDS DESTROYED - 24

SQ METERS DESTROYED - 50,300

PLANTS DESTROYED - 984,900

HECTARES - 5.03

MARIHUANA FIELDS DESTROYED MANUALLY

FIELDS DESTROYED - 58

SQ METERS DESTROYED - 168,145

PLANTS DESTROYED - 2,898,330

HECTARES - 16.8

ZONE II-STATES OF JALISCO, NAYARIT, COLIMA, ZACATECAS,  
AND MICHOACAN.

OPIUM FIELDS DESTROYED BY HERBICIDES

OPIUM FIELDS DESTROYED - 7

SQ METERS DESTROYED - 4,000

PLANTS DESTROYED - 40,000

HECTARES - .4

OPIUM FIELDS DESTROYED MANUALLY

FIELDS DESTROYED - 9

SQ METERS DESTROYED - 16,100

PLANTS DESTROYED - 156,000

HECTARES - 1.6

MARIHUANA FIELDS DESTROYED BY HERBICIDES

NONE

MARIHUANA FIELDS DESTROYED MANUALLY

FIELDS DESTROYED - 7

SQ METERS DESTROYED - 11,500

PLANTS DESTROYED - 108,000

HECTARES - 1.15

ZONE III - STATES OF GUERRERO, MORELOS AND OAXACA.

OPIUM FIELDS DESTROYED BY HERBICIDES

NONE

OPIUM FIELDS DESTROYED MANUALLY

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FIELDS DESTROYED - 2

SQ METERS DESTROYED - 3,800

PLANTS DESTROYED - 257,000

HECTARES - .38

MARIHUANA FIELDS DESTROYED BY HERBICIDES

NONE

MARIHUANA FIELDS DESTROYED MANUALLY

FIELDS DESTROYED - 54

SQ METERS DESTROYED - 65,054

PLANTS DESTROYED - 426,000

HECTARES - 6.5

B. CUMULATIVE TOTALS (ALL THREE ZONES)

OPIUM FIELDS DESTROYED BY HERBICIDES

OPIUM FIELDS DESTROYED - 15,454

SQ METERS DESTROYED - 38,299,461

HECTARES - 3,829.95

OPIUM FIELDS DESTROYED MANUALLY

FIELDS DESTROYED - 3,722

SQ METERS DESTROYED - 11,809,753

PLANTS DESTROYED - 153,513,858

HECTARES - 1,180.97

MARIHUANA FIELDS DESTROYED BY HERXICIDES

FIELDS DESTROYED - 1,241

SQ METERS DESTROYED - 3,833,558

HECTARES - 383.4

MARIHUANA FIELDS DESTROYED MANUALLY

FIELDS DESTROYED - 1,612

SQ METERS DESTROYED - 4,844,697

PLANTS DESTROYED - 109,912,112

HECTARES - 484.5

(C) PERSONNEL DEPLOYMENT

NO CHANGE FROM LAST REPORT

E. AVIATION OPERATIONS:

REPORTING PERIOD: 1 THRU 7 APRIL, 1976

1. AG AIRCRAFT HOURS FLOWN AND AVAILABILITY:

A. MODEL 212: 124:24 HRS/MINS FLOWN.

AVAILABILITY: 74.1 PERCENT

NOTE: NUMBER OF HOURS FLOWN BY MICROFOIL EQUIPPED

UNITS: 13:42 HRS MINS

B. MODEL 206-B: 78:48 HRS/MINS FLOWN.

AVAILABILITY: 67.1 PERCENT

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NOTE: NUMBER OF HOURS FLOWN BY SIMPLEX II UNITS:

27:36 HRS/MINS

C. CESSNA 185: 39:54 HRS/MINS FLOWN

AVAILABILITY: 88 PERCENT

D. AERO COMMANDERS: 34:54 HRS/MINS FLOWN

AVAILABILITY: 90.5 PERCENT

E. PORTER STOL 00:00 HRS/MINS

AVAILABILITY: 100 PERCENT

NOTE: AWAITING ARRIVAL OF INSTRUCTOR/PILOT TO COMMENCE  
TRAINING AGAIN.

F. CESSNA CITATION: 9:36 HRS/MINS FLOWN.

AVAILABILITY: 100 PERCENT

NOTE: TOTAL HOURS FLOWN BY AG ARICRAFT: 287:36 HRS/MINS

AVERAGE PERCENTAGE AVAILABILITY BY TYPE OF AIRCRAFT: 86.6 PCT.

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2. MAINTENANCE:

THE AG AERO SERVICES MAINTENANCE SECTION IS STILL IN PROCESS OF MOVING TO THE NEW HANGAR WHICH IS NOW BEHIND SCHEDULE. THE MOST REALISTIC DATE APPEARS TO BE SOMETIME IN EARLY MAY.

3. STOL TRAINING:

IMMEDIATE RESPONSE BY S/NM SPECIAL ACTION GROUP TO STEERING COMMITTEE RESPONSE FOR ANOTHER STOL INSTRUCTOR/PILOT WILL ENABLE TRAINING TO COMMENCE ON OR ABOUT APRIL 19. AVIATION ADVISOR FORD DESIGNATED ACTION OFFICER AND WILL MONITOR STOL TRAINING. EVERGREEN HELICOPTER, INCORPORATED, (EHI) REPRESENTATIVE, ERNIE BRACE, IS EXPECTED TO ARRIVE IN MEXICO CITY IN MID-APRIL TO NEGOTIATE THE EXTENSION OF THE EHI-GOM/AG CONTRACT UNDER A USG REIMBURSABLE BASIS. INSTRUCTOR/PILOT MCSHANE EXPECTED TO ARRIVE MEXICO CITY ON THE SAME WEEKEND.

4. COMMUNICATIONS COMPONENTS CORPORATION (CCC) WAS CONTRACTED BY INC/W TO COMPLETE THE TRAINING OF THE AG PILOTS IN

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THE USE OF THE ONTRAC II NAVIGATIONAL SYSTEM. CCC FACTORY TECHNICAL REPRESENTATIVE INFORMED STEERING COMMITTEE/MEXICO OF THE REVISED ARRIVAL DATE IN MEXICO CITY WHICH IS NOW LAST WEEK IN APRIL FOR A PERIOD OF TEN DAYS. AV. ADV. FORD DESIGNATED ACTION OFFICER AND WILL ASSIST SYSTEMS PLANNING CORPORATION (SPC) TDY TECHNICIAN SYLVESTER IN MONITORING THE TRAINING ACTIVITIES.

5. CONFISCATED AIRCRAFT:

THE AG AERO SERVICES NOW HAS A TOTAL OF THREE SERVICEABLE SEIZED AIRCRAFT ON FULLTIME OPERATIONAL STATUS FLYING MISSIONS. THE MIX OF AIRCRAFT CONSISTS OF A CESSNA 310, A CESSNA SKYMASTER AND A PIPER CHEROKEE 6. LEGALLY, THE SEIZED AIRCRAFT ARE STILL IN LITIGATION AND SUBJECT TO THIRD PARTY CLAIMS; THEREFORE, THEY ARE NOT OFFICIALLY IN THE AG AERO SERVICES INVENTORY AND ARE NOT COVERED UNDER THE TERMS OF THE BELL HELICOPTER COMPANY CONTRACT (BHI) FOR MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR.

G. COMMUNICATIONS:

1. SPARE PARTS PROVIDED BY THE USG ARE BEING UTILIZED FOR THE INTENDED PURPOSE OF REHABILITATING INOPERATIVE TRANSCEIVERS IN THE INVENTORIES OF THE AG OFFICE. MUCH OF THIS EQUIPMENT HAS BEEN DEADLINED FOR AS MUCH AS ONE YEAR DUE TO LACK OF SUCH SPARE PARTS. REPAIR AND RETURN TO SERVICE OF THESE TRANSCEIVERS WILL SUBSTANTIALLY ENHANCE THE OVERALL COMMUNICATIONS CAPABILITY.

2. INSTALLATIONS OF THE HF-SSB AND VHF-FM TRANSCEIVERS IN THE NORTHWEST ZONE (TIJUANA AREA) HAVE BEEN POSTPONED UNTIL AFTER "HOLY WEEK".

3. REPAIRS FOR THE REPORTED OUTAGE OF THE HF-SSB STATION AT DURANGO ARE PENDING ISSUANCE OF AN ORDER BY ZONE I COORDINATOR FOR TWO ELECTRICIANS ON DUTY AT CULIACAN TO INVESTIGATE. IF NECESSARY AND REQUESTED, USG TECHNICIANS ARE AVAILABLE TO PROVIDE TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.

4. SENIOR STAFF MEMBER SOLIS INFORMS THAT TEN RADIO OPERATOR PERSONNEL ARE BEING RECRUITED. THE TELECOM ADVISOR WILL ASSIST IN SELECTION OF PERSONNEL AND TRAINING IN EQUIPMENT OPERATIONS.

H. HERBICIDES:

1. ON APRIL 8, SENIOR STAFF MEMBER SOLIS MET WITH NAU  
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PROGRAM OFFICER, AV. ADV. FORD, AND EHI CHIEF PILOT MIKE POND,

AT THE NEW AG HANGAR FOR A DEBRIEFING BY POND ON THE SPRAYING OPERATIONS PERFORMED BY AG PILOTS AND EHI INSTRUCTOR/PILOTS. THE FOLLOWING POINTS WERE UNDERSCORED BY MIKE POND:

A. SPRAYING: THERE IS NO DOUBT IN HIS MIND THAT SPRAYING OPERATIONS WERE EFFECTIVE. HE EMPHASIZED THE POINT THAT IF A FIELD WAS SPRAYED, THE FIELD DIED.

B. LOGISTICS: THE TIMELY AND CONTINUOUS PROVISION OF FUEL AND HERBICIDES WAS A PERSISTENT PROBLEM WHICH OCCASIONALLY SLOWED DOWN OR DISRUPTED THE MAXIMUM UTILIZATION OF MANPOWER AND RESOURCES. HE JUDGES THAT AG PERSONNEL, BOTH AVIATION AND GROUND SUPPORT, WERE SUBJECTED TO AN INTENSIVE LEARNING PROCESS IN THE PAST 90 DAYS AND THESE EXPERIENCES SHOULD BE CONDUCIVE TO MORE EFFECTIVE SPRAYING OPERATIONS IN THE FUTURE.

C. PILOTS: POND CRITICIZED THE AG PILOTS FOR NOT GETTING MORE INVOLVED IN THE TOTAL PROCEDURAL OPERATIONS RELATING TO SPRAYING. POND STRESSED TO SOLIS THE SPRAY PILOT SHOULD BE PHYSICALLY PRESENT TO SUPERVISE AND MONITOR THE MIXING AND LOADING OF CHEMICAL AND CONDUCT THE INSPECTION OF HIS SPRAY EQUIPMENT BEFORE AND AFTER THE DAILY OPERATIONS. AV. ADV. FORD NOTED THAT CAPT LUIS BEST WAS GIVEN COPIES OF THE ENTIRE SPRAYING OPERATIONS PROCEDURES BACK IN DECEMBER FOR DISTRIBUTION. (BEST RESIGNED 31 DEC, 1975.)

D. TRAINING: POND SUGGESTED THE AG OFFICE EXPLORE THE POSSIBILITY OF SENDING A SELECTED GROUP OF MEXICAN PILOTS TO THE EHI FACILITY IN THE US TO RECEIVE ON-THE-JOB (OJT) TRAINING WITH SPRAY PILOTS AND GROUND SUPPORT TECHNICIANS. NO COMMITMENT ON THIS PROPOSAL EITHER BY US REPS OR BY SOLIS. AV. ADV. FORD JUDGED THAT IN-COUNTRY TRAINING SPECIFICALLY DESIGNED TO TRAIN MEXICAN SPRAY INSTRUCTOR/PILOTS WOULD BE MORE ACCEPTABLE AND PROVIDE VIABILITY. SOLIS AVERRED THAT HE SEES A FUTURE PROBLEM IN OBTAINING QUALIFIED PILOTS TO FLY THE SUPPORT SHIPS AS HE DOES NOT ANTICIPATE ANY 206-B OR MODEL 212 SPRAY PILOT SHORTAGES. THE INCENTIVE PAY FOR SPRAYING HAS RESOLVED THE SITUATION.

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2. SPRAYING OPERATIONS ARE NOW IN THE RESIDUAL STAGE DUE TO THE GEOGRAPHICAL DISPERSAL OF THE REMAINING POPPY FIELDS IN ZONE I. THE DISTANCE FACTOR INVOLVED CAUSES THE REFUELING OF THE SPRAY AIRCRAFT PRIOR TO THE DEPLETION OF THE CHEMICAL LOAD. THE TOTAL NUMBER OF FIELDS SPRAYED PER DAY HAS DROPPED SIGNIFICANTLY AND SELDOM EXCEEDS ONE HUNDRED. (IT SHOULD BE NOTED THIS MINIMUM AMOUNT OF DESTROYED FIELDS STILL REPRESENTS THE AVERAGE AMOUNT THIRTY (30) GROUND ERADICATION SQUADS DESTROY IN ONE DAY.

3. THE EHI GROUND SUPPORT EQUIPMENT TECHNICIANS (ROBERT ATKINS AND VANCE HILL) ARE SCHEDULED TO DEPART FOR THE U.S. ON 9 APRIL, AFTER TERMINATING THEIR 90-DAY TDY UNDER THE BELL HELICOPTER COMPANY PURCHASE ORDER TERMS WITH EVERGREEN HELICOPTER, INCORPORATED.

F. PLANS WERE FORMULATED TO SALVAGE THE HULL OF THE DOWNED MODEL 212 (XC-BET) IN THE SANTA RITA RIVER CANYON. CAPT. VIDEZ, AV. ADV. FORD, AND MIKE POND WILL SUPERVISE AND LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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MONITOR THE SLING OPERATION.

F. MOPSS AND OTHER SYSTEMS

1. OPERATION AND TRAINING

A. THE FOLLOWING CHART SUMMARIZES MOPS MULTISPECTRAL (MS) PHOTOGRAPHY FLIGHTS FROM 1 THROUGH 7 APRIL 1976 AND DATA PROCESSING COMPLETED:

DATE	MISSION	TARGET AREA	TIME ON	LIVE	PROB-
		LINE	FIELDS	ABLES	

3-30	87	N. DEL VERGEL	0:43	8	4
3-31	88	N. DEL VERGEL	1:00	63	11
4-1	(CLOUDS)				
4-2	89E	SURUTADO	0:29	42	5

4-3 (CLOUDS)  
4-4 (CLOUDS)  
4-5 2 FLIGHTS - WEATHER ABORTS  
4-6 2 FLIGHTS - WEATHER ABORTS  
4-4 90 WEATHER ABOR (9 MINUTES ON THE LINE. IN PROCESS  
AT PERIOD END)  
4-7 91 BABORIGAME 1:19 (IN PROCESS AT  
PERIOD END)

B. NOTED:

1. MISSION 89E IS THE NEW MS FILM SO-289, FOR THE  
FIRST TIME.  
2. MISSIONS 87 AND 88 WERE FLOWN DURING THE PREVIOUS  
REPORTING PERIOD AND THE DATE WAS COMPLETED DURING THIS PERIOD.

2. OBSERVATIONS

A. THE PAY PROBLEM PREVIOUSLY REPORTED HAS BEEN  
RESOLVED.

B. THE PHOTO AIRPLANE XC-BEL IS GOING INTO ITS 200  
HOUR INSPECTION AFTER ONE MORE MISSION.

C. DURING MOST OF THIS REPORTING PERIOD ONE MOPS MAN  
WAS AT CHOIX AND TWO AT SAN JOSE DEL LLANO ASSISTING IN  
MISSION PLANNING. THIS IS AN EXCELLENT OPPORUTNITY TO INTE-  
GRATE MOPS INTO THE ERADICATION OPERATIONS; HOWEVER, IT SHOULD  
BE UNDERSTOOD THAT THIS IS PRACTICAL ONLY BECAUSE TWO MOPS  
CREWS ARE ON HAND TO SUPPORT ONE MOPS GROUND UNIT. IF THE MOPS  
UNITS WERE PHYSICALLY SEPARATED, ADDITIONAL MANNING WOULD BE  
NEEDED FOR THIS OPERATIONAL LIAISON FUNCTION.  
THE EFFECTIVENESS OF THE MOPS PERSONNEL AT THE FORWARD BASES  
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HAS BEEN RESTRICTED BY SICKNESS CAUSED PARTLY BY BAD WATER  
AND POOR FOOD AND PARTLY BY AIR SICKNESS. ACTION SHOULD  
BE TAKEN TO CORRECT BOTH THESE DEFICIENCIES.

3. PROBLEMS:

THE HFSSB RADIO IN THE MOPS PHOTO INTERPRETATION VAN  
CAUSES EXTREMELY UNSATISFACTORY INTERFERENCE WITH THE MOPS  
WORK. THERE IS A GREAT NEED FOR AN OPERATIONS FACILITY AT THE  
AIRPORT FOR THE CONTROL OF THE PILOTS AND THE MAINTENANCE  
PEOPLE. THE HFSSB RADIO SHOULD BE IN THAT FACILITY. THIS SHOULD  
BE AN HIGH PRIORITY ITEM. ANOTHER AIR CONDITIONED TRAILER  
WOULD SUFFICE AS A TEMPORARY FACILITY UNTIL A SUITABLE BUILD-  
ING IS ERECTED.

3. INTERDICTION

A. STATISTICAL SUMMARY

ZONE I - STATES OF SONORA, SINALOA, DURANGO AND CHI-  
HUAHUA.

9 KILOGRAMS 51 GRAMS HEROIN  
2 KILOGRAMS 900 GRAMS OPIUM  
250 GRAMS COCAINE  
2 TONS 437 KILOGRAMS 336 GRAMS MARIHUANA



1 MARIHUANA PRESS  
20 DOSAGE UNITS DANGEROUS DRUGS  
8 AUTOMOBILES  
2 TRUCKS  
2 CAMPERS  
1 PICK-UP  
3 AIRCRAFT  
71 DEFENDANTS  
40 WEAPONS  
630 ROUNDS OF AMMO  
1 ROLL PLASTIC BAGS  
2 HYDRAULIC JACKS  
19,360 U.S. CURRENCY

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ZONE II-STATES OF JALSICO, NAYARIT, COLIMA, ZACATECAS AND  
MICHOACAN.  
448 GRAMS OPIUM  
3,080 DOSAGE UNITS OF MANDRAX

2 TONS 366 KILOGRAMS 620 GRAMS MARIHUANA  
1 TRUCK  
16 DEFENDANTS  
10 WEAPONS

ZONE III -STATES OF GUERRERO, MORELOS AND OAXACA.  
65 KILOGRAMS MARIHUANA  
16 KILOGRAMS MARIHUANA SEED  
5 DEFENDANTS  
1,200 METERS IRRIGATION HOSE  
1 BEAST OF BURDEN

TOTAL CUMULATIVE INTERDICTION FIGURES (ALL THREE ZONES)  
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99 KILOGRAMS 218 GRAMS HEROIN  
218 KILOGRAMS 848 GRAMS OPIUM GUM  
23 KILOGRAMS 677 GRAMS OPIUM POPPY SEED  
2 OPIUM PRESSES  
220 GRAMS MORPHINE BASE  
11 CONVERSION LABORATORIES  
22 KILOGRAMS 178 GRAMS COCAINE  
4,040,000 DOSAGE UNITS MINI-BENNIES  
23 GRAMS BENZEDRINE  
122,500 DOSAGE UNITS BENZEDRINE TABLETS  
5 DOSAGE UNITS LSD  
30 DOSAGE UNITS DEXEDRINE  
442 DOSAGE UNITS OTHER ASSORTED DANGEROUS DRUGS  
6 PILL PRESSES  
1 KILOGRAM 360 GRAMS PEYOTE  
185 DOSAGE UNITS AMPHETAMINES  
3,630 DOSAGE UNITS MANDRAX PILLS  
600 KILOGRAMS SECOBARBITOL  
15,500,000 DOSAGE UNITS SECOBARBITOL  
15,000,000 EMPTY CAPSULES  
11 KILOGRAMS ADDITIVES FOR PILLS  
1 SECOBARBITOL FACTORY  
6 KILOGRAMS 31 GRAMS HASHISH  
21 LITERS HASHISH OIL  
198 TONS 818 KILOGRAMS 879 GRAMS MARIHUANA  
352 KILOGRAMS 890 GRAMS MARIHUANA SEED  
12 MARIHUANA PRESSES  
30 GRAMS HALLUCINOGENIC MUSHROOMS  
5 VESSELS  
210 AUTMOBILES  
14 STATION WAGONS  
7 CAMPERS  
34 TRUCKS  
4 TRAILER TRUCKS  
30 AIRCRAFT

1,378 DEFENDANTS  
37 PAIR OF HANDCUFFS  
694 WEAPONS  
199,434 ROUNDS OF AMMO  
25 AR-15 CLIPS  
388 STICKS OF DYNAMITE  
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5-200 LITERS OF AVIATION FUEL  
10,800 METERS OF IRRIGATION HOSE  
4 PUMPS  
3.5 LITERS ACETONE  
1 CARTON PLASTIC BAGS  
2 ROLLS PLASTIC BAGS  
12 HYDRAULIC JACKS  
23 BEASTS OF BURDEN  
15,500 COUNTERFEIT DOLLARS  
70,200 U.S. DOLLARS  
B. USE OF INTERDICTION VEHICLES  
NO CHANGE FROM LAST REPORT  
C. N/A  
D. N/A  
E. N/A  
F. N/A  
G. MISSION ANALYSIS OF TRENDS.  
SAME AS LAST WEEK

4. COMMENTS:

DRD HEATH TRAVELED TO CULIACAN DURING THIS REPORTING WEEK AND MET WITH MEXICAN OFFICIALS IN CHARGE OF CULIACAN OPERATIONS CENTER TO DISCUSS THE PROGRESS OR ERADICATION ACTIVITIES IN ZONE I AND FOR SPOT INSPECTION OF THE HERBICIDE SPRAYING IN THE AREA OF BOGORIGAMBA, SAN JOSE DEL LLANO, AND CHOIX. FROM ALL ESTIMATES, BOTH FROM MEXICAN SOURCES AND DEA, THERE ARE APPROXIMATELY ONE THOUSAND OPIUM FIELDS LEFT TO BE DESTROYED. THE MEXICAN ERADICATION OPERATION IS SLOWLY COMING TO A CLOSE. WITH APPROACHING EASTER HOLIDAYS, MANY OF THE AGENTS AND SUPPORT PERSONNEL ASSIGNED TO THE ERADICATION PROGRAM WILL GO ON LEAVE. THE EVERGREEN PILOTS WILL ALL DEPART MEXICO BY APRIL 17.

DR. GERTZ HAS ORDERED A GENERAL MOP-UP OPERATION IN THE GROWING AREAS OF SINALOA, DURANGO, AND CHIHUAHUA, WHICH WILL CONCLUDE OPERATIONS BY THE END OF APRIL IN ZONE I. HE PLANS TO ALLOW EACH AGENT AS WELL AS THE PILOTS AND MECHANICS REST FOR A PERIOD OF TIME AND ALSO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THIS LULL TO CONDUCT NECESSARY MAINTENANCE ON HELICOPTERS AND AIRCRAFT IN OPERATION FOR THE MARIHUANA CAMPAIGN THAT WILL COMMENCE THE LATTER PART OF LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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MAY.

IN ZONE II, THE ONLY SIGNIFICANT ACTIVITY IS  
BEING CONDUCTED BY THE MILITARY, DIRECTED BY GENERAL  
QUINTANAR, WHO WILL DIRECT AN INTENSIFIED TWO-WEEK  
PROGRAM UTILIZING GROUND TROOPS, AIRCRAFT, AND THE  
SUPPORT OF THE MEXICAN COAST GUARD PATROLLING THE  
COAST OF MICHOACAN IN AN EFFORT TO ENCIRCLE THE SOUTH-  
WEST AREA OF THE STATE OF MICHOACAN FOR A FULL SWEEP  
OF THE AREA ON A SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATION.  
THIS ACTIVITY WILL BE CONCLUDED BY THE END OF APRIL.  
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